

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 5, line 31, with the following paragraph:

The graph of Fig. 1 plots roughness (the ordinate axis) as obtained after polishing under the conditions specified below for a duration of about 1 hour. The roughness measure 10 is expressed in rms angstrom (\AA) values as measured by an optical profilometer. Values of the diamond/silica volume ratio 12, written "D/S ratio", are plotted along the abscissa axis.